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TEXT:

Kameran - Do you know what lette this blurb is referring to? Can we get a copy of it? Thanks. Ann.

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From: Toth, Brian

Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2003 4:52 PM

To: Navaro, Ann

Subject: Washington Times note on US Climate Action Report

From the Washington Times -

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/national/inbeltway.htm>

Getting warmer?

The Competitive Enterprise Institute in Washington is abuzz about the letter it received last week from the Office of White House Counsel, its subject man-made global warming - or lack thereof.

In the letter, the White House denied impropriety surrounding an Environmental Protection Agency "Climate Action Report" submitted to the United Nations outlining U.S. positions on catastrophic man-made global warming.

But the climate report, according to the CEI, basically repackages findings from the "National Assessment on Climate Change," a document earlier disavowed by the Bush White House.

The administration distanced itself from the assessment when settling a lawsuit filed by CEI counsel Christopher Horner on behalf of Republican lawmakers Sen. James Inhofe, Oklahoma Republican and Reps. Jo Ann Emerson of Missouri and Joe Knollenberg of Michigan, among other parties.

The White House contended the global-warming assessment was "not policy positions or formal expressions of the U.S. government."

But now the administration appears to have flip-flopped, putting its stamp of approval on the latest climate report sent to the United Nations.

Meanwhile, eleven state attorneys general have seized Uncle Sam's "spooky tale," as the CEI counsel calls the report, "to file lawsuits demanding the most expensive regulatory undertaking in U.S. history, given that the U.S. now 'admits' it."